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Optical Waveguide Preform

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RESPONSE

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
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RESPONSE TO THE EXAMINER'S 1st OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action dated July 15, 2003, please enter the following Amendments and consider the Remarks as follows:

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The Remarks start on page 7.